

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A computer-implemented method comprising:
 - registering one or more portlet actions corresponding to a plurality of ~~for one or more~~ portlets within a portal infrastructure, wherein a first set of one or more of the plurality of portlets are providers of a particular property and wherein a second set of one or more of the plurality of portlets are consumers of the particular property;
 - assembling a portal page for presentation in a browser, wherein the portal page includes interfaces from the plurality of ~~one or more~~ portlets; and
 - including in the portal page a user interface control associated with [[a]] the particular property, wherein the user interface control, when actuated in a particular manner of actuation by an end user, allows [[a]] the end user to associate the particular property from one or more of the first set of portlets with at least one of the portlets from the second set of portlets ~~one or more portlet actions~~ such that an occurrence of a subsequent event associated with the particular property causes the at least one of the one or more portlet actions to be executed wherein the particular property is provided from the one or more associated first set of portlets to the one or more associated second set of portlets.
2. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein the subsequent event associated with the particular property is a subsequent actuation of the user interface control.
3. (canceled)

4. (original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
 - storing, in persistent storage, an association between the particular property and the at least one of the one or more portlet actions;
 - retrieving the association in response to an occurrence of an event associated with the particular property; and
 - executing the at least one of the one or more portlet actions in response to retrieving the association.
5. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said particular manner of actuation includes concurrent keypress and pointing-device click events.
6. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein assembling the portal page includes attaching client-side scripting code to the portal page such that execution of the client-side scripting code is triggered by said particular manner of actuation, and wherein the client-side scripting code is programmed to prompt [[a]] the end user to specify whether the end user desires to associate one or more portlet actions with said particular property.
7. (currently amended) The method of claim 6, wherein the client-side scripting code prompts the end user by displaying a dialog box.
8. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
 - allowing the end user to disassociate said particular property from said at least one of the one or more portlet actions in response to a subsequent actuation of the user interface control.

9. (currently amended) A computer program product comprising a computer-recordable computer-readable medium encoded with functional descriptive material that, when executed by a computer, causes the computer to perform actions of:
- registering one or more portlet actions corresponding to a plurality of ~~for one or more~~ portlets within a portal infrastructure, wherein a first set of one or more of the plurality of portlets are providers of a particular property and wherein a second set of one or more of the plurality of portlets are consumers of the particular property;
 - assembling a portal page for presentation in a browser, wherein the portal page includes interfaces from the plurality of ~~one or more~~ portlets; and
 - including in the portal page a user interface control associated with [[a]] the particular property, wherein the user interface control, when actuated in a particular manner of actuation by an end user, allows [[a]] the end user to associate the particular property from one or more of the first set of portlets with at least one of the portlets from the second set of portlets ~~one or more portlet actions~~ such that an occurrence of a subsequent event associated with the particular property causes the ~~at least one of the~~ one or more portlet actions to be executed wherein the particular property is provided from one of the associated first set of portlets to the one or more associated second set of portlets.
10. (original) The computer program product of claim 9, wherein the subsequent event associated with the particular property is a subsequent actuation of the user interface control.
11. (canceled)

12. (currently amended) The computer program product of claim 9, comprising additional functional descriptive material that, when executed by [[a]] the computer, causes the computer to perform additional actions of:
- storing, in persistent storage, an association between the particular property and the at least one of the one or more portlet actions;
 - retrieving the association in response to an occurrence of an event associated with the particular property; and
 - executing the at least one of the one or more portlet actions in response to retrieving the association.
13. (original) The computer program product of claim 9, wherein said particular manner of actuation includes concurrent keypress and pointing-device click events.
14. (currently amended) The computer program product of claim 9, wherein assembling the portal page includes attaching client-side scripting code to the portal page such that execution of the client-side scripting code is triggered by said particular manner of actuation, and wherein the client-side scripting code is programmed to prompt [[a]] the end user to specify whether the end user desires to associate one or more portlet actions with said particular property.
15. (currently amended) The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the client-side scripting code prompts the end user by displaying a dialog box.
16. (currently amended) The computer program product of claim 9, comprising additional functional descriptive material that, when executed by [[a]] the computer, causes the computer to perform additional actions of:
- allowing the end user to disassociate said particular property from said at least one of the one or more portlet actions in response to a subsequent actuation of the user interface control.

17. (currently amended) A data processing system comprising:

one or more processors;
 a memory accessible by the processors;
 a persistent storage accessible by the processors; and
 a portlet management software tool executed by the processors, the portlet management tool including steps effective to:

register one or more portlet actions for one or more portlets within a portal infrastructure actions corresponding to a plurality of ~~for one or more~~ portlets within a portal infrastructure, wherein a first set of one or more of the plurality of portlets are providers of a particular property and wherein a second set of one or more of the plurality of portlets are consumers of the particular property;

assemble a portal page for presentation in a browser, wherein the portal page includes interfaces from the plurality of ~~one or more~~ portlets;

include in the portal page a user interface control associated with [[a]] the particular property, wherein the user interface control, when actuated in a particular manner of actuation by an end user, allows [[a]] the end user to associate the particular property from one or more of the first set of portlets with at least one of the portlet from the second set of portlets ~~one or more portlet actions~~ such that an occurrence of a subsequent event associated with the particular property causes ~~the at least one of the one or more portlet actions~~ to be executed wherein the particular property is provided from the one or more associated first set of portlets to the one or more associated second set of portlets.

18. (original) The data processing system of claim 17, wherein the subsequent event associated with the particular property is a subsequent actuation of the user interface control.

19. (canceled)

20. (original) The data processing system of claim 17, wherein the portlet management tool further includes steps effective to:
- store, in the persistent storage, an association between the particular property and the at least one of the one or more portlet actions;
 - retrieve the association in response to an occurrence of an event associated with the particular property; and
 - execute, by one of the processors, the at least one of the one or more portlet actions in response to retrieving the association.
21. (original) The data processing system of claim 17, wherein said particular manner of actuation includes concurrent keypress and pointing-device click events.
22. (currently amended) The data processing system of claim 17, wherein assembling the portal page includes attaching client-side scripting code to the portal page such that execution of the client-side scripting code is triggered by said particular manner of actuation, and wherein the client-side scripting code is programmed to prompt [[a]] the end user to specify whether the end user desires to associate one or more portlet actions with said particular property.
23. (currently amended) The data processing system of claim 17, wherein the portlet management tool further includes steps effective to:
- allow the end user to disassociate said particular property from said at least one of the one or more portlet actions in response to a subsequent actuation of the user interface control.
24. (canceled)
25. (canceled)
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